

SENATE BILL 799
By Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 15, Part 4, relative to child abuse and
neglect.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401(a), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (1) and by inserting the following new language to be designated as subdivision (2):

(2) Any person who is pregnant with a child of any gestational age, from fertilization through birth of the child, and who knowingly, other than by accidental means, ingests any illegal substance or controlled substance not prescribed by a physician, commits a Class D felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.